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REMARKS

Claims 1-63 are pending. Claims 28-31 and 58-63 have been examined, and the remaining claims have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 28, 58, and 63 have been rejected, and claims 29-31 and 59-62 have been objected to.

Preliminarily, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 29-31 and 59-62.

Turning to the substance of the Office Action, claims 28, 58, and 63 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wang (U.S. Patent No. 5,815,529) in view of Sklar, Digital Communications Fundamentals.

While not conceding the validity of this rejection, but merely to advance prosecution, Applicant has placed the application in condition for allowance by amending each of allowable claims 29-31, 59, 61, and 63 to be in independent form, and have canceled claims 28, 58, and 63.

With no issues remaining, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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